

## Discussion Section FAQs

♡ Math 10A Fall 2022 ♡

***Do I have to attend my weekly discussion section? Is attendance at discussion section mandatory?*** No. Attendance at discussion section is not mandatory. However, attendance at discussion section will help you learn and is therefore rewarded with participation points; please refer to the Grades section of the course syllabus for the details: <https://mathweb.ucsd.edu/stevens/10A/syllabus.html#grades>

***What happens during discussion section? Why should I attend?*** Each week you will complete a brief quiz to help you stay on track with the course schedule and identify your questions and misconceptions. Your score on these weekly quizzes will **not** be included in the computation of your Math 10A grade, but the quizzes will help you prepare for the midterm and final exams (where the scores actually matter!). You will also have the opportunity to discuss important examples with your TA and classmates. Thus, regular attendance at discussion section should help you better understand the course material (and consequently succeed in the course!).

***Can I attend any discussion section of my choice? Can I get credit for attending a section which is different than the my section of enrollment?*** Discussion sections are held in small rooms with limited capacities, so you may only attend the discussion section in which you are officially enrolled on Webreg. Please do not attempt to attend a discussion section in which you are not enrolled, as you will not receive any attendance credit for doing so.

***Is it possible to attend a discussion section online?*** No. All of the discussion sections are held in person only.

***What do I need to bring to discussion section?*** You may complete your discussion section work on either paper or an iPad/tablet, so bring your preferred apparatus. You will also need to upload work to Gradescope during discussion section. To facilitate uploads from your phone, here are links to the latest Gradescope mobile app:

- <https://info.gradescope.com/mobile> (Gradescope mobile app)
- <https://help.gradescope.com/article/alyonjbud4-mobile-app> (Guide to using the Gradescope mobile app)

***Will my scores on my discussion section quizzes affect my grade in the class?*** No. We will not take any record of your discussion section quiz scores.

***Will I get attendance credit if I arrive late or leave early?*** In order to receive attendance credit at discussion section, you must arrive on time and stay until the end of discussion section. In particular, your TA will take attendance at the beginning of section, and if you are not present during attendance, you will not receive credit.

***Do I actually need to attend at least seven discussion sections in order to earn participation points? Can I earn partial points if I attend five or six instead?*** In order to earn discussion section participation points, you must attend at least seven discussion sections during the quarter. If you attend less than seven sections, you will **not** earn partial points; please refer to the Grades section of the course syllabus for the details: <https://mathweb.ucsd.edu/stevens/10A/syllabus.html#grades>

***What if I cannot attend discussion section because I am sick or in isolation? Can I attend remotely or get attendance credit for that week as long as I have a valid excuse?*** Discussion sections will not be offered remotely. The attendance policy of seven out of ten has been designed to accommodate you in the case of illness or emergency, so please save your three free misses for those cases.

***Can I have access to discussion section quizzes even if I do not attend discussion section?*** Yes, all discussion section quizzes and their solutions will be posted on Canvas within 48 hours after discussion section.